remarkable congresses was held in 1897. It was the great Jewish parliament for 2,000 years, and it was also the most picturesque assemblage that could be imagined. There were rabbis from Bulgaria and free thinkers from Paris; bearded merchants from Algiers and clean-shaven students from New York; bankers from Berlin and shabby outcasts from Russia. But they were all Jews, and there was unanimous feeling that burned in their hearts like fire—the desire to restore the fallen glory of the house of Israel.

DEMAND PRISONERS
BE GIVEN LIBERTY

JAIL CONDITIONS CONDEMned IN RESOLUTIONS

Police Department is Taken to Task
for Large Number of Arrests of
Self-Respecting Men on
Vagrancy Charges

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted at a mass meeting held in the W.C.T.U. temple last night.

Whereas, A large percentage of the laboring class of this community have been thrown into a state of enforced idleness, entailing untold privations to men and families; therefore be it.

Resolved, That it is the duty of the city and county authorities to at once provide sufficient work for all the worthy unemployed within our gates.

Whereas, Owing to the fact that a majority of these destitute persons have no established credit on which they can secure the barest necessities for their sustenance; therefore, be it.

Resolved, That the city and county authorities make immediate provision for the issuing of necessary supplies for
Demand Prisoners Be Given Liberty (continued)

the temporary relief of those to whom employment is given.

Whereas, We recognize the protective policy of the law in detaining suspicious characters, be it

Resolved, That we protest against the custom now in vogue in this city of arresting on the charge of vagrancy self-respecting men who are unable to find work, and detaining them in a jail whose overcrowded condition makes it unfit for the stabling of beasts, much less of our brothers.

Whereas, It is the sense of this meeting that if the same number of American citizens were incarcerated in a foreign jails under the same conditions and circumstances long ago the United States warships would have been enroute to such place for their deliverance, be it

Resolved, That we demand of the authorities the immediate release of all persons detained in the city jail charged with or convicted of vagrancy.

Whereas, Recognizing it to be the city of the Christian public to do everything in its power to assist the unemployed at this time be it

Resolved, That a meeting be held in this auditorium on Monday afternoon at 2:30 to provide temporary relief, for those discharged from the jail and any others who may come.

CHARLES F. PARHAM, Chairman.